

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT:	Christian Knöpfle et al.	EXAMINER: Philogene, Pedro
SERIAL NO.:	09/921,233	GROUP ART UNIT: 3733
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FOR:	SYSTEM INCLUDING A SELF-RETAINING IMPLANT AND A DEVICE FOR SECURING THE IMPLANT AND A METHOD OF USING THE SAME	

AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.312

MAILSTOP ISSUE FEE
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed November 19, 2009, please amend the specification as follows. Entry of this "Amendment After Notice Of Allowance Under 37 CFR § 1.312" is requested to merely correct the first paragraph on page 1 of the application to accurately reflect the priority claim as originally set forth in the inventors' Declaration. A complete listing of the claims is provided for the Examiner's convenience.